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## **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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**For:** Method and Apparatus for Communication Network Cluster Formation and Transmission of Node Link Status Messages with Reduced Protocol Overhead Traffic

Enclosed are:

### New Patent Application including:

Forty-six (46) Pages of Specification; and  
Ten (10) Sheets of Drawings.

### Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 Pages);

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